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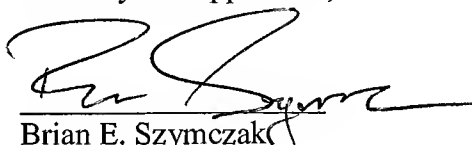
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	F.	3,939,839	02/24/76	Curtiss	128	303	06/26/74		
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	L.	4,116,198	09/26/78	Roos	128	303	05/14/76		
	M.	4,181,131	01/01/80	Ogiu	128	303	02/23/78		
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	T.	4,381,007	04/26/83	Doss	128	303	04/30/81		
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	F.	4,765,331	08/23/88	Petruzzi et al.	128	303	02/10/87
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	K.	5,401,272	03/28/95	Perkins	606	15	02/16/94
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